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**UTILITY PATENT**  
**APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

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Sir:

Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application of Alain LAGNIER  
for TREAD COMPRISING INCISIONS AND LAMELLA FOR MOLDING THESE INCISIONS

Applicant(s) suggest(s) Figure 3 for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.

Applicant(s) requests that the published application include the following assignment information: MICHELIN RECHERCHE ET TECHNIQUE S.A., Granges-Paccot, Switzerland.

Also enclosed are:

One sheet(s) of drawings;

a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 is  hereby made to Patent Application Serial No. 01/13137 filed in France on October 11, 2001;

in the declaration;

Certified copy of Priority Document No. 01/13137;

a General Authorization for Petitions for Extensions of Time and Payment of Fees;

an Assignment document;

an Information Disclosure Statement;

a patent application data sheet; and

Other: 1) Publication WO 03/033281; 2) Demand Notification IPEA/402;  
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An  executed  unexecuted declaration of the inventor(s)  
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Small entity status is hereby claimed.

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	NO. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Basic Application Fee					\$770.00 (1001)
Total Claims	10	MINUS 20 =	---	× \$18.00 (1202) =	---
Independent Claims	2	MINUS 3 =	---	× \$86.00 (1201) =	---
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$290.00 (1203)					---
Total Application Fee					770.00
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee					---
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<b>TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE</b>					<b>810.00</b>

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